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BEARD SUFFRAGE BILL WAS KILLED

Measure to Restrict Suffrage to Whites Voted Down 48 to 5.

HEAVY VOTE WAS GREAT SURPRISE

Although the Result in the House Was a Foregone Conclusion.

BILL WAS INTENDED TO TEST VALIDITY OF FOURTEENTH AND FIFTEENTH AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION OF UNITED STATES—TEST OF STRENGTH ON COUNTY DIVISION.

Special to The Journal.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8.—After a debate of one hour and thirty minutes the house of representatives this afternoon voted down the Beard resolution proposing to restrict suffrage to white male voters, with a view to testing the validity of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments. The vote was forty-eight to five, though the resolution had passed the senate by a vote of twenty-three to eight. Messrs. Reese, Calkins and Dupont spoke in favor of the resolution and Mathews of Marion, Knight of Citrus, and McWilliams spoke against it. The result was a foregone conclusion but the heavy vote was a surprise. Those voting for the resolution were: Messrs. Baggett, Bradshaw, Calkins, Dudley, Dupont, Farris, Faulkner, Griggs, Harvell, Long, Milliner, Ogilvie, Reese, Watson and Wilson of Lee. A fair sized audience listened to the debate.

In the Senate.
The senate committee on city and county organization for two hours this afternoon listened to arguments on the Pincus bill. Messrs. Humphreys and Farris of the committee voted against the bill. The bill was the first test of strength in the senate on a matter of this kind. Wood spoke in favor of the Pincus bill and Palmer, Drew, Himes and Yancey against it. No new ground was covered.

Governor and Mrs. Broward held a reception to-night in the new executive mansion.

Morning Session.
This morning the senate put itself on record for progressiveness in the formation of new counties when population and wealth permit it, by the passage of Mr. Hudson's bill to create the county of Palm Beach out of the northern portion of the county of Dade. The vote was 20 to 11. Senator Canova not voting.

Senator Hudson is a citizen of Miami, seat of the present county, and in spite of opposition in his home city rose above local feelings to what he believed to be the duty to the demands of the people of the northern portion of his home county and made a long speech in favor of the measure. He was opposed by Senator Sams, who wanted to go on record as against any county division proposition that had not been passed upon by the people of the county, and by Senator Buchanan, who figured out that the creation of new counties at this particular time would reduce the representation of his county, Duval.

Mr. Hudson replied that if the senate wanted to kill the bill because it would impair the voting strength of the present counties 1-6th, he had nothing more to say. Senator Adams voted against it out of respect to the wishes of his district and did not desire his vote to be considered as an expression against the merits of the bill.

The house passed a number of bills on third reading, including Judge Sills L. Carter's attorney's admission bill, and two by Mr. Reese, of Escambia, providing that the council of Pensacola shall estimate as city depositaries the banks offering the best rates of interest and one authorizing boards of county commissioners to employ attorneys, although several amendments were talked in to the latter.

KILLED FIFTEEN CHINESE AT SEA

San Diego, Cal., May 8.—It was reported late last night that two sailors who have escaped from the British steamer Mori King, which arrived here yesterday from Shanghai, make sensational charges of brutality against the captain and officers of the ship. Rumors are in circulation to the effect that fifteen Chinese were killed during the riot on board and their bodies cast into the sea.

STRIKE TIES UP BIG MELTING CO.

Salt Lake, May 8.—The plant of the American Smelting and Refining Co., employing one thousand men, closed today because of a strike of two hundred and sixty ore handlers and furnace chargers.

WOMAN AND DAUGHTER CUT TO PIECES WITH RAZORS

Horrible Crime in a New York East Side Home Yesterday.

Husband of the Younger Woman Charged With the Deed.

ALLEGED THE DOUBLE MURDER WAS THE RESULT OF A DEMAND FOR MONEY WHICH WAS REFUSED—POLICE GIVE HIS STORY BUT LITTLE CREDENCE.

By Associated Press.
New York, May 8.—Mrs. Maria Vito and her mother, Mrs. Maria Brigoli, were literally slashed to pieces with razors in their East Side home early today. Giovanni Vito, the husband of the younger woman, is under arrest charged with the crime. It is alleged that he killed the women after a quarrel which followed their refusal to give him money. Vito denies that he is guilty, however, and stoutly maintains that his wife and mother-in-law were killed by two men who broke into the house and with whom he fought.

In support of his story he exhibited to the police a cut on one of his hands, which he declares, was inflicted by one of the murderers. His story is substantiated by his 3 year old son. The police give the story little credence, however, as Vito and the child were the only persons in the apartment when the police, informed that the murder was being done in the house, forced an entrance. All doors of the apartment had been locked. Inside they found Vito fully dressed, standing in the center of the room. Blood was everywhere and on the floor midway between the bed and a window lay the lifeless body of Mrs. Vito, her head nearly severed. The body was fearfully slashed and a broken razor was found still sticking in one of the wounds. On the fire escape, just outside the window, was found the body of Mrs. Brigoli, practically covered with wounds.

Under a bed in the Vito apartment the police found a second blood stained razor and on a dressing case a razor which bore the imprints of four blood-stained fingers. Vito is a barber. He has not worked at his trade for several years, however, and his father-in-law declared that in all that time he lived from the earnings of his wife, who was employed in a shirt-waist factory.

No serious outbreak has yet occurred, but the temper of the strikers was shown last night by an attack on forty strike-breakers near the Cunard docks. These men were badly mauled before they could be rescued by the police.

Strong detachments of police have been placed at all of the piers and strikers are not permitted to gather in their vicinity. The strikers say their demands for increased pay are based upon the increased cost of living.

HAYWOOD CASE READY FOR TRIAL

Judge Woods Denies Petition of Defense For Bill of Particulars.

Boise, Idaho, May 8.—Judge Woods today denied the petition of W. D. Haywood, charged with complicity in the murder of former Governor Steunenberg, for a bill of particulars. The defense had asked for a bill of particulars, briefly, that defense had waived such right by repeated pleadings to the indictment; by repeated statements of readiness for trial; by permitting the case to be set and preparations for the trial made on the assumption that the defendant was ready for trial on the charge against him. Expressing a desire to reserve an exception, which the court ordered noted, defense announced ready for trial, which will proceed tomorrow.

NO REFEREE IN MIZENER CASE

New York, May 8.—The motion filed several weeks ago to appoint a referee in the divorce proceedings of Mrs. Adelaide Yerkes Mizener against Mizener, was today denied by Judge Jones. It has been learned, however, that Justice Dowling had announced his refusal to sign any divorce decree which included an order to seal the papers. The petitioner is the widow of Charles T. Yerkes, the Chicago and London Traction promoter. She married Mizener a few days after Yerkes's death.

CONVENTION OF RAILWAY TRAINMEN

Atlanta, May 8.—The convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen today listened to addresses by F. A. Burgess, assistant general chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and M. R. Fuller, legislative national representative of the trainmen and Union Traction. A number of amendments to the constitution were proposed.

TRANSATLANTIC STEAMERS SAIL PER SCHEDULE

Big Vessels Leave With Only Part Cargoes on Account of Strike.

The Longshoremen's Strike Movement Reaches Serious Proportions.

COMPANIES HAVE DECIDED TO GIVE FREIGHT SECONDARY CONSIDERATION AS PASSENGER LISTS ARE FILLED FOR SOME TIME TO COME—CANNOT AFFORD TO ACCEDE.

New York, May 8.—From present indications it does not appear that the big trans-Atlantic steamship companies propose to permit any rearrangements as a result of the strike of longshoremen which has been becoming increasingly serious during the past few days. Just at this time the eastward tide of tourists is at its height, and every steamer scheduled to sail for weeks is booked almost to capacity. When the longshoremen strike movement reached serious proportions and thousands of tons of freight was lying at every dock with none to put it aboard the steamers, it was believed that serious delays would result. It now appears, however, that the companies have decided to give the freight only secondary consideration, for the present at least, and to send their passenger steamers away on time, even if their holds are practically empty. Up to the present time only one of the big trans-Atlantic lines has suffered any appreciable delay in sending away a scheduled steamer. That was the Kroonland, of the Red Star line, which sailed last Monday, after a two days' delay occasioned by inability of the line to procure men to fill the cargo holds with merchandise. Yesterday half a dozen big liners, including the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, of the North German Lloyd, and the Giant Carolina, of the Cunard line, sailed only slightly behind their regular schedules, and the companies declared that the steamers scheduled to go out today will leave their docks on time. All of them, however, will take short cargoes. The twenty thousand ton Baltic of the White Star line, will have only 2,000 tons of cargo; and the Nordam, of the Holland-America line, will carry only about two-thirds of her normal cargo of freight. Both will have full cabins.

The attitude of the steamship companies toward the men is unchanged, so far as could be learned today. J. H. Thomas, manager of the operating department of the International Mercantile Marine Company, which controls the American, Atlantic transport, Red Star and White Star line, declared positively today that his companies never will accede to the demands of the strikers.

"We can't afford to do it," is the way he expressed it. Mr. Thomas said that good progress is being made in discharging and loading all the ships now in port, and that they all are expected to sail on time.

DEADLY QUARREL OVER A WOMAN

Independence, Mo., May 8.—Clyde St. Clair, aged 22, son of George St. Clair, a prominent citizen, was shot and killed on the public square early today by Van Tavan, aged 23, a local friend. The two young men had attended a party together at the home of a young woman with whom they were both in love and were returning home when they engaged in a quarrel over her which resulted in the tragedy. Tapan went to the police station and voluntarily surrendered. He said he shot St. Clair in self defense when the latter threatened him with a revolver. There were no witnesses.

RAILROADS WILL FIGHT ALA. LAW

Montgomery, Ala., May 8.—In the federal court today Judge Thomas Jones granted a preliminary injunction against the state enforcing, against the railroads, certain laws recently enacted. The law restricted the rates in effect January 1 last the maximum rates; fixes the rates of one hundred and ten cents; classifies roads and prohibits roads from removing a case from a state to a federal court.

HOKE SMITH HAD SUCCESSFUL TRIP

New York, May 8.—Hoke Smith, governor-elect of Georgia, arrived today from Europe where he spent two weeks successfully arranging for the direct transportation of immigrants from foreign ports to Georgia.

PENSACOLA WATER COMPANY ASKS FOR \$1,450 ADDITIONAL

THE CRUISER BREMEN NARROWLY ESCAPES A SERIOUS COLLISION

By Associated Press.
New York, May 8.—A collision between the big steamship Kaiser Wilhelm II, bound to New York, and the German protected cruiser Bremen, from Norfolk, to Boston, in a heavy fog east of the Nantucket light ship yesterday was barely averted. The passengers say the officers of the big liner saw the warship only in time to prevent an accident by reversing the engines hard and quickly altering her course.

MEXICO AND GUATEMALA WON'T FIGHT

City Peaceful and Commission Will Try to Settle Strike Troubles.

Although Possible That Diplomatic Relations May Be Severed.

COUNTER DEMAND OF GUATEMALA FOR EXTRADITION OF THREE ALLEGED CONSPIRATORS REGARDED AS UNDIGNIFIED POLITICAL TRICK.

By Associated Press.
Mexico City, May 8.—Mexico will not go to war with Guatemala over the extradition of Jose Lima, was announced today by Minister Mariscal. He admitted that diplomatic relations might be severed but this was not to be construed as a preparation for war.

Mexico has addressed a third note to the Cabrera government on the Lima extradition matter and no further move is contemplated until a reply is received. Cabrera made a counter claim against Mexico when the latter government today received a note from the Guatemalan president demanding the extradition of Dr. Emilio Leon, Col. Francisco Oria, both former ministers to Mexico and Dr. Luis Obregon, charging that these three were implicated in the recent attempt to assassinate him. They deny the charge and Mexico will refuse the demand and regards it as an undignified political trick.

GREAT PROGRESS OF ARGENTINE

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, May 8.—President Alcora, in opening congress today, emphasized the marked moral and material advancement of the republic; spoke of the increased confidence in the United States as a result of the visit of Secretary Root, which he characterized as the most notable diplomatic event of the year, and predicted the great advancement of the Argentine in the future.

FAITH CURIST HELD TO THE GRAND JURY

Philadelphia, May 8.—On the charge of criminal neglect resulting in the death of his one year old child, Geo. Osborne, a faith curist, was held to the grand jury today by the coroner. At the investigation it was testified that the child was given no medical aid and that the parents believed in prayer to effect a cure.

SHRINERS ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Los Angeles, May 8.—The annual election of officers was the principal day's business of the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shriners. By the precedent of accession, Frank C. Roundy, of Chicago, succeeds Alvan P. Clayton as Imperial Potentate.

DEMOCRATS WIN IN BALTIMORE

Baltimore, May 8.—The democrats swept the city in yesterday's municipal election. J. Barry Mahool was elected mayor over Ermanus, the republican, by a majority of 4,840.

STEAMER BALTIC STRANDED

New York, May 8.—The steamship Baltic, which sailed this afternoon, is reported aground off Sandy Hook. The fog is exceedingly heavy at sea and the only means of communication is by wireless.

On the Appraised Value of the Plant and Properties Here.

MATTER REFERRED TO BOND TRUSTEES

By the City Council at the Short Session Held Last Night.

ALDERMAN RENSCHAW GIVES NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AT NEXT MEETING AMENDING THE FEVER REPORTING ORDINANCE—NEW SIDEWALK ORDINANCE INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN YONGE.

A short session of the City Council was held last night, and with the exception of laying the weed cutting ordinance upon the table, the introduction of an ordinance relating to new sidewalks, giving notice of the introduction of two ordinances at the next meeting, and the reading of a communication from the Pensacola Water Co., there was but little business of importance to be considered during the session. When the council convened there were present Mayor Pro Tem Maura presiding, Aldermen Cabell, Christie, Marzoni, Renschaw, Reilly, Wright and Yonge, C. C. Goodman, who will be president of the council after June 4 and B. Mocheblave, who will succeed Alderman Christie, were also present and were invited to take seats within the council enclosure.

Reported Adversely.
After the minutes of previous meetings had been approved, Chairman Reilly, of the finance committee, submitted the report of that committee. The principal feature of the report was the suggested amendment by the tax collector of the ordinance requiring notices being sent to taxpayers during May of their delinquencies. The committee reported adversely upon this, stating that while the mailing of these notices not only required labor and expenditure of money, it is deemed best at this time to leave the ordinance as it now stands. The report and recommendations were adopted.

General Ordinance Committee.

The general ordinance committee had but one ordinance before it, that of compelling the cutting of weeds within the city limits during certain months. The committee returned the ordinance to the council without recommendation, the chairman making the statement that the reason for so doing was that the members were divided upon the question. The ordinance was laid on the table to be called up when more of the members are present.

Notices of New Ordinances.

Under this head Alderman Yonge gave notice that at the next meeting he would introduce an ordinance granting W. J. Hannah the right to construct a spur track on Jefferson street.

Alderman Renschaw gave notice that, at the next meeting he would introduce an ordinance amending the present ordinance relating to the reporting by physicians of certain fever cases.

New Ordinances.

Unanimous consent being granted, Alderman Yonge introduced and read for the first time an ordinance relating to the material to be used in constructing and the width of all sidewalks within the city limits. This ordinance specifies that all sidewalks must be constructed of brick, stone, asphalt or cement.

On Second Reading.

The ordinance creating what is to be known as Barrancas avenue was placed upon its second reading, and amended so as to read that all sidewalks constructed along this avenue shall be eight feet in width. The report of City Engineer Thornton upon this avenue was read, showing the block through which the avenue would pass, and he also presented a plan of the proposed route. After the ordinance had been read and amended it was referred.

From Pensacola Water Co.

The Pensacola Water Company addressed a communication to the council, in which it stated that it had accepted the proposition of the city to purchase the plant and property of the company for the sum of \$187,500, as appraised by Engineer Hutton, but that since this appraisal the city had ordered the extension of water mains in certain sections of the city, which had been made and which cost the company \$1,450. The company requested that it be paid this amount in addition to the \$187,500. The matter was referred to the Bond Trustees for a recommendation.

St. John's Cemetery.

A communication was read from W. A. Watson, of the St. John's cemetery association, stating that arrangements had been made with the Pensacola Water Company whereby the association could extend the water service with a 2-inch pipe to the cemetery, which is without water. Now.

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